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PRESIDENT THOMAS VISITS MIDDLEBURY

Returns on Leviathan with Ten Thousand Troops

Tonsilitis Confines Him to His Room During Greater Part of Visit

As predicted in last week's Campus President Thomas visited the College from Thursday to Sunday night after a hard voyage on the mammoth transport Leviathan. He arrived in the U. S. on Wednesday morning and left on the sleeper for Middlebury. An attack of tonsilitis confined President Thomas to his rooms during the greater part of his stay. The doctor said that the strenuous work had run Chaplain Thomas down and he prescribed a lot of rest for him. When "Prexy" finally showed himself to the men at Hepburn Commons he was greeted with cheers.

The Campus was enabled to get a rather lengthy interview from President Thomas in which he told of his work. Going over he said there was not much to do as there were only a few hundred passengers aboard, many of them Polish recruits who spoke little or no English. One of his daily tasks was to visit eight men in the brig who were being taken back to France for various offenses.

On the trip back, however, Chaplain Thomas was kept busy morning and night. Over ninety-four hundred troops were brought back including twenty-two hundred wounded and convalescent, which with the ship's crew made a city about the size of Burlington. The sleeping quarters of the privates were divided into twenty-five compartments. They were given a special time on deck each day and had additional exercise walking to mess twice a day.

During the trip President Thomas made a 10 minute speech in each compartment, telling the men things about home-coming and their demobilization which even their own officers, having been so long in France, did not know. Some of the things mentioned were that the soldiers, who are well must go first to a debarkation camp, then to a camp near their home before they would finally be discharged; how to notify their friends of their return and the way to get in touch with them; and future work. Chaplain Thomas said that it is surprising what a large number of men, in many cases officers, are court-martialed for being absent without leave.

There were about seventy-five tubercular patients, who had a deck to themselves and lived there all the time. Chaplain Thomas spent some time with them every day. The social hall, the woman's salon in the days when the Leviathan was a passenger ship, a fine big room on the main promenade deck, has been made into a sick-bay, the naval term for hospital. In this compartment there were about one hundred and fifty stretcher cases who were visited daily by Chaplain Thomas.

On Sunday Chaplain Thomas conducted service in each hospital ward and had two regular services in addition.

The last two days were spent in helping the men in their preparation for disembarking, changing foreign money, sending radiograms, giving out postcards and answering all sorts of questions.

Chaplain Thomas had many interesting stories among the most interest-

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EXCHANGE LIST GROWING DAILY

Letters Bring Many Replies---More Expected

Cornell Daily Sun, Brown Daily Herald Among New Exchanges

An effort has been made to enlarge the exchange department of The Campus. Letters have been sent out to the papers of leading colleges, not only in New England but in the southern and western states as well as in Canada, suggesting an exchange of papers Similar communications have also been extended to a number of preparatory schools. It is thought that in this way an intercourse may be established between the colleges which will be found mutually advantageous. By this means, more than through any other, Middlebury will gain recognition in the inter-collegiate world.

Among the exchanges which have been received are the Bates Student, Cornell Daily Sun, Brown Daily Herald, The Dartmouth, M. A. C. Collegian, University of Toronto Varsity, Florida Flambeau, and Amherst Student.

Prompt replies are hoped for from the other institutions to which communications have been sent. These exchanges will be filed in The Campus office and it is hoped that all persons interested will come in to read them.

INTERESTING STATISTICS ON MIDD'S CHEM. DEPT.

The account of the meeting of the Vermont Section of the American Chemical Society must have brought to mind the fact that chemistry is an important profession in the present age. Every chemist must be well trained, and this is done in our colleges and technical schools. The continued increase in its importance caused us to interview Middlebury's department of chemistry to present to our readers some facts regarding its work and organization.

The chemistry department is housed in the new chemistry building which, with the exception of the first floor, is devoted entirely to its laboratories and lecture rooms. It is the largest elective department in college and serves one third of the student body. At present it has three professors and two instructors who are needed to handle the large classes.

The staff includes Prof. W. W. MacGilton who has served since 1892 The present building, much admired by visiting chemists with regard to its arrangement and equipment, was built in accordance with his plans and stands for his efficient service at Middlebury. Assistant Prof. P. C. Voter, acting head of the department, graduated from Bowdoin in 1909 and studied at Harvard until 1912, obtaining the A. M. degree in 1911. Since 1912 he has taught here and will be away on leave next year to complete his research work at Harvard. He is working on the Atomic Weight of Arsenic under Prof. G. P. Baxter, who is chairman of the International Committee on Atomic Weights.

Assistant Prof. A. R. Davis has been at Middlebury since his graduation from Wesleyan in 1915. He is now secretary-treasurer of the Vermont Section of the American Chemical Society of which he and Prof. Voter are members, the latter being chairman of the section. This year two new instructors

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VERMONT CHEMISTS HOLD MEETING

Dr. C. R. Hoover Gives Interesting Address

Business Meeting at Addison Followed by Lecture in Chem. Building

The annual meeting of the Vermont Section of the American Chemical Society was held at Middlebury, on Friday, February 14th, for the election of officers and to listen to an address by Dr. C. R. Hoover of Wesleyan University. The University of Vermont sent delegates but the Norwich chemists were unable to make railroad connections.

The Vermont Section was organized three years ago to include chemists of the three colleges and various industries of the state. Meetings are held regularly at one of the three institutions to discuss recent chemical progress and listen to addresses by prominent chemists. It is to be noted that one of the recent speakers has since become Col. Walker, who had charge of Edgewood Arsenal and made that plant efficient and productive in the manufacture of gas.

The business meeting was held at the Addison House, at which Prof. P. C. Voter was re-elected chairman of the section, and Acting Secretary and Treasurer Prof. A. R. Davis was elected to the same office. Following this meeting a banquet was held.

The lecture was held at eight o'clock in the lecture room of the Chemistry building and the room was well filled to listen to the splendid address on "Gas Warfare" by Dr. Hoover. He has been working on gas detectors and absorbents for some time and has perfected one of each. Because of his connection with the chemical warfare service he was able to give first hand facts regarding that branch of the service.

In the course of his lecture, which was illustrated by samples of gasses, masks and the use of lantern slides, Dr. Hoover traced the evolution of gas warfare from earlier periods and then explained the nature of many of the substances used as gases and how they were manufactured and handled. The subject of protection against the gas as hurriedly worked out after the first surprise proved especially interesting. It was made clear that the great need for charcoal grew out of its use as an absorbent for many kinds of gas in the thousands of masks made in this country.

Although the audience included others than chemists, Dr. Hoover succeeded in so presenting his subject that it was pleasing and interesting to all who heard him. We were most fortunate in hearing a man who is so closely in touch with the latest developments of gas warfare.

TO-MORROW NIGHT

OPEN HOUSE
AT
CHI PSI LODGE

Be Sure and Be There—Don't Forget Your "PEP"

MIDD QUINTETS LOSE TWO GAMES

N. Y. State Trims Varsity 49-18 Seconds Lose to T. C. A.

Teachers' College Forwards Too Much For Midd—Score 36 Points

By the rather overwhelming score of 49 to 18, the N. Y. State Teachers' College handed the Midd varsity basketball team its second consecutive defeat of the season at Albany, N. Y., last Saturday night. The Teachers' quintet playing an exceptionally strong game, outplayed the Blue and White at all stages of the contest and Midd was snowed in under their irresistible attack. The Middlebury guards proved woefully weak, the forwards of the N. Y. college slipping past them time and time again, to make easy shots near the basket. Barry and Fitzgerald, the two forwards accounted for 18 field goals between them and few of their shots were of the spectacular sort, practically all being secured as the result of easy tries after some good passwork.

The Albany five started off with a rush and ere the Vermont champs got a chance to get started, gained a commanding lead. During the latter part of the half, however, the Midd men began to display a little of their real form and to put up the fight of which they are capable. The period as a whole was interesting and fast, the score at the half-time standing N. Y. State 26-Midd 14.

During the second half, the New York quintet had no difficulty at all in finding the Midd basket and literally played rings around the Vermont boys. The floorwork and shooting of the N. Y. offense in this period was creditable, while their defense proved so impregnable that nary a field basket was made in this half by a Blue and White player. The Midd team as a whole played far below par, the shooting and passwork being poor and the guarding even worse. The final whistle showed the Middlebury five to be on the short end of a 49-18 score.

Barry and Fitzgerald, themselves accounting for 42 of their team's 49 points were the big lights in the New York State College attack, while Miske and Tatro played their usual fast games for Middlebury.

Summary:

MIDDLEBURY

	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Points Scored
Jenne, r f	2	0	4
Miske (Capt.), l f	2	6	10
Tatro, c	2	0	4
Ross, r g	0	0	0
Jones, l g	0	0	0
Timberman, c	0	0	0
Totals	6	6	18

N. Y. S.

	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Points Scored
Fitzgerald, r f	9	7	25
Barry, l f	9	0	18
Dowling, c	2	0	4
Lobdell, l g	0	0	0
Curtin, r g	1	0	2
Nicholson, l g	0	0	0
Totals	21	7	49

Referee: L. Hill; timer, Timberman; scorer, Hulihan.

The Midd 2nd basket-ball team went to Poultney, Vt, last Saturday, where they stacked up against the

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EDITORIAL

Keep Your Pledge

In the February 5 issue of The Campus we noticed an article entitled "A promise made is a debt unpaid" and felt keenly disappointed when we read that over $1000 remained unpaid on the college subscriptions to the United War Work campaign.

This statement again brings to our attention the "Wake-up the war is over" attitude that a number of people are acquiring. They think now that the actual fighting is over their support is no longer needed and their duty has been fulfilled. Not only is this attitude wrong but it is harmful as the biggest tasks are still before our country and the organizations that have done such splendid work in helping to win the war. We still have thousands of our boys "over there". Can we desert them now after they have given everything they had for you and me?

It is of nation wide importance that the drive be completed as soon as possible as the great work of the Y. M. C. A., K. of C., and allied organizations must be carried on just as intensely now as during the heaviest fighting. Do not delay the accomplishment of this end by dilatory payment. It should be regarded as a matter of honor among the students of the college to see that when a pledge is made it is paid.

Do You Want It?

There have been a number of requests from the student body that The Campus resume the Krazy Korner column. The Board discontinued this department of the paper not because of any objecton to the appearance o jokes in its columns but because the quality of the humor was inferior to that of the other departments of the paper. It did not, therefore, seem desirable to pull down the standard of The Campus by introducng anything which would tend to subtract from its criterion. However, The Board is perfectly willing to publish the Krazy Korner again if the students will contribute some real humor and not a lot of silly trash as has been the case heretofore. The paper was severely criticized by alumni and friends for its policy in regard to some of the material in the Krazy Korners which appeared last year. Certainly none of the students are desirous of calling forth any further disapproval in this connection. It is, therefore, only just that the demand for real wit be made upon the students if they desire this column to be resumed. The Board wishes for an expression of opinion on this point.

Get Busy on Sub-freshmen

This is the time when high school seniors begin to consider the college they will attend, and to look over the different places. With Junior Week and the interesting program which is being planned, The Kaleidoscope, The Campus, and the College Bulletins, a prospective freshman has a very good chance of knowing about Middlebury But the thing that has more weight than any other when it comes to the final decision is the personal touch, the fact of having some friend or acquaintance who is or has been at the college under consideration. Get after some of these high school friends who have not wholly made their decision about their college, and show them that Middlebury wants them and they want Middlebury.

"Watch Your Step"

It is an unnecessary and destructive habit which we unintentionally fall into each year when we begin "cuttng cross lots" over the campus. We do not realize it at the time but each time we take a "short cut", it helps to disfigure the campus. We have ample walks and if not, there can be more. But why not use them? The time gained by taking a "bee line" is not comparable to the damage done to the campus when hundreds of feet follow in your tracks.

If we think that it does not matter in the winter let us remember that each action intensifies the habit and sets a bad example for others. And if we cross the campus in winter when there are several feet of snow to impede our starting a path, how much easier it will be in the spring when the ground is bare.

If we care in the least for the beauty of our campus which is equal to that of any college, let us stop this thoughtless habit before it does irretrievable damage. Watch your step!

"ARE WE WORTH DYING FOR?" ASKS A. SIDNEY LOVETT

The student body listened to an address at chapel yesterday morning, by A. Sidney Lovett a Y. M. C. A. worker from Boston. Mr. Lovett's address centered around the question, "Are we worth dying for?" He said in part, "Whole generations of men have been crucified in this war, pouring out their blood freely, that we might live in a better world. Are we worth the price? Although the war is over there are still problems which must be faced These are real and vital and the tragic thing is that so many people of intelligence are unwilling to face them, By virtue of the fact that so much sacrifice has been prevalent in the great war just ended, by virtue of the fact that these problems exist and by virtue of the fact that we as college students have opportunities of leadership, we ought to give them attention."

We have a great obligation to meet these problems. There rests upon us the responsibility to so conduct our lives that if the question should be put to us, "are we worth dying for?", the answer might be in the affirmative.

Read The Article Above

and Decide Whether You Can

Afford to Forget

Your Pledge

to the

United War Workers' Campaign

What Others Think

OPEN TO ALL

A New Mail Box

Dear Editor:

It is the principle of most states in erecting public buildings to allow from five to ten percent of the total expenditure for art—cornices, abutments, artistic doorways, and pleasant halls, wide stairways, and an occasional statue or good picture of some sort. And it is the principle in regard to the latter, that one which is worth while is worth ten cheap ones. Middlebury has followed out the above principle as far as possible. The buildings are graceful in outline and well planned and equipped. Hepburn Hall is a model for other dormitories

But the psychological effect of a little one by three mail box for the one hundred fellows using Hepburn Hall, placed in a conspicuous spot at the entrance on a little four-legged stool, and capped with a tin pan to collect the outgoing letters, may well be questioned. The pan reminds one strangely of the Saturday night beans served at the Commons. Surely such an arrangement is not taken from Gothic art, nor from that of Rome, nor can we find it in the plans of architects for dormitories used in other colleges.

The construction of a neat mail box with individual sections, of a respectable size and longer in the horizontal dimension than it is high, to make it accessible to a larger number of men at one time, and containing a separate section for outgoing mail, would be a neat addition to the hall. Since it is reasonable to assume that the delivery of mail to Hepburn will continue as long as the hall is used, it would seem safe to make at least a semi-permanent affair.

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Good Idea

Editor of The Campus:

Why not a few accommodations for Painter Hall? Of course it is not expected that it can furnish all the accommodations of Hepburn Hall, such as shower baths on each floor and individual wash rooms, but wouldn't it be very advantageous to have some lockers in the shower so that toilet articles could be left safely there instead of carrying them up and down several flights each time. As it is now each man leaves them in a heap on the window sills there, and sometimes finds them there later and sometimes doesn't. The expense would not be very great and there is plenty of available room for the lockers, and they would certainly be a great improvement.

D. M.

The Campus

Dear Editor:—

The whole student body "sat up and took notice" on Tuesday morning of last week when Dr. Collins announced in chapel that The Campus Board would postpone their resignations for one week while the students decided whether they wanted a college paper or not. There is no question about everyone's wanting a college paper but the point is: Do people want it badly enough to "shake their bones" and write a few lines for it? Whenever a person sees a Campus arriving he drops all urgent business at hand, such as studying, writing letters, or starting to class, snatches up the nearest Campus, whether his or his neighbors, and consumes it from the first column to the last exclaiming excitedly, "Say, I didn't know that before! listen to this" etc. It certainly takes The Campus to wake us up to what is going on in our own college, internally and externally. Next we can consider the enjoyment the men on the War Service list derive from it. We have probably all gone to much work for the men in service that wasn't appreciated half as much as The Campus is. Last, and most important of all, we can consider the importance of The Campus to the standing of the college. Just imagine this for a minute. In a vacation you are discussing colleges with a friend from a much larger and more spectacular college than Middlebury and during the conversation he gives a few brilliant facts concerning his college paper, and asks about yours. You get pretty red, make a grand effort, and confess the college "Campus" has seen its last days. All your former proud assertions about your Alma Mater fade into the distance in the significant "Oh,—I see" that follows your last statement. Even small high schools have a paper you remember. We lazy ones think, "Well, if I should try hard and write for The Campus every week, although I've no ability, and supposing the impossible that I should get on The Board, it would simply mean plenty more work Of course, there is the experience, but I guess I will forego the pleasure of such a far away prospect. The Campus will be passed out every week anyway, and perhaps some day when I have lots of time and exciting subjects I'll write a few words, just to show my college spirit anyway."

Because the reward for work on The Campus is not a tangible, attractive object, as a sweater in athletics, we fail to realize that there is one. Aside from the points obtained, why shouldn't the feelng of gratification at having accomplished something for our Alma Mater be as great for work of this kind as for work in the other branches, since it is proved that The Campus ranks among the first in importance?

A. G

INTERESTING LECTURE ON MEDICINE

On Wednesday, February 12, Dr Waters, M. D., of Boston University gave a very interesting lecture in the Hemicycle in regard to what that B U. is doing for the advancement of medicine, illustrating it with many stereoptican views.

In the course of his lecture, Dr Waters spoke of the excellent opportunities for the young graduate of a large well-equipped, well known school of medicine along social, professional, and financial lines as well as the tremendous ones of doing good. The missionary to the foreign field, said Dr Waters, can do many times more efficient work as a doctor than he could merely as a spiritual leader, for it affords a means of contact with people which he probably would lack otherwise. Country practice, while quite worth while, is very hard with small financial returns, and the speaker advised city practice as much as possible.

To show how much advancement the study of medicine has made in the last few years, Dr. Waters used many pictures of the laboratories, class-room, and hospital wards of Boston University. This school of medicine has quite an advantage over many other schools in that; first, it is situated in the midst of a group of some of the best hospitals of New England, in which the student, after the necessary preliminary study is permitted to see patients treat them under the expert supervision of the doctors in charge; and also, in that it is a non-sectarian school, and thirdly, that it is a well equipped university in a large city, and not a small school in a town away from many of these advantages.

Dr. Waters advised the study of chemistry in all its lines, biology especially vertebrate and invertebrate zoology, bacteriology, Latin and Greek to facilitate the learning of long medical terms, in preparation for the study of medicine.

The course of study as conducted at B. U. includes laboratory and class-room work during the freshman and sophomore years, operations and diagnosis during the junior year, with maternity cases and interne work during the senior year. The freshman year is extremely hard; a trying out year, after which the student finds the work less

difficult. Opportunities for self-help are numerous.

After the lecture, Dr. Waters remained to answer questions which were asked by members of the audience who were interested in the study of medicine.

REV. STEPHEN BARNES MAKES ADDRESS AT VESPERS

Rev. Stephen G. Barnes, D. D., L. L. D., for nine years pastor of the South Congregational Church at St. Johnsbury, Vt., delivered the sermon at the vesper service Sunday. Dr. Barnes, who holds the chair of Biblical History at the University of Vermont, was previously Professor of English Literature at Grinnell College and Dean of Theology at Fiske University. His text was taken from Matthew: 7 and Matthew 22: 33-46. Dr. Barnes defined Christianity as more than merely obeying the Golden Rule. He showed that men are too self-reliant and that an ideal achieved without belief in God and without His help, is a very low ideal indeed. He impressed the realism of Christ with the hope that each one would see in Him, "his best friend."

The preacher next week will be Rev. Henry C. Newell of Middlebury.

"WHO PAYS THE COST OF THE WAR?"

A. Barton Hepburn

Many of the students who frequent the college library were interested to observe on the cover of the February "Scribners," under the heading of "Unusual Articles" the title "Who Pays the Cost of the War"?, an article by A. Barton Hepburn. Such an article coming from a man of Mr. Hepburn's prominence, and from one so well known to the college students, compels our attention.

Mr. Hepburn discusses the question of the two ways of paying our war debts—by the "All Taxation" method or by the part bond and part taxation method. Economists largely agree, he says, that "All Taxation", which would throw the burden of our 22 billion dollar war debt on the present generation, is the only fair method. Mr. Hepburn brings out the other side of the case and asks if the war could have been won except through the means of bond proceeds. Future generations, he says, are surely interested in the outcome of this war to the extent of paying part of the debt by paying interest o bonds contracted today. He concludes by showing the fallacy of the idea that we must pay the whole cost of the war today.

KALEIDOSCOPE BOARD OPENS OFFICE IN NORTH PAINTER

The work of the Kaleidoscope Board received a decided boost last Thursday in the formal announcement by the college authorities of their concession to the Board of the offices in North Painter Hall, formerly occupied by Professor Cady. Since then all of the necessary equipment has been moved in and work on the year book has been started on a firm basis. The office will be kept open a large part of every day, presumably in the afternoon, and those in charge of the various departments will welcome any contributions from the students at large. Opportunity will given at a later date for students having good snap-shots of anything concerning the college life to loan the same to the Photographic Editor.

Business Manager Hebard has been in communication with various photograph and engraving concerns for some time and it is probable that contracts covering this detail will be signed very soon. Hebard also wishes to call the attention of all alumni and other possible subscribers to the necessity of communicating with him as soon as possible, it being necessary to ascertain the exact number of copies desired within the next two weeks.

'18. Margaret Chatfield has recently undergone an operation at a hospital in Baltimore, Maryland.

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have been engaged, C. J. Lyon, Middlebury 1918 and L. R. Howard, Middlebury 1899.

Before the regular work of the department for the year could be put into effect it became evident that very pronounced changes in the nature of collegiate instruction were about to be made. Official information secured by the department made it clear that it would be necessary to choose between giving little or no instruction in chemistry or preparing to give very intensive work in accordance with a complete course of chemical study to be submitted by the committee of the war department on education and special training. The information obtained before the opening of college was sufficient to indicate that the scope of the official course was practically that of the courses usually offered in the department, the difference being chiefly in the intensity, two years being required to cover the work normally covered in four. In view of Middlebury's reputation and the probability of losing a large number of incoming students interested in chemistry, it was deemed necessary to comply with the anticipated recommendation of the committee on education and special training Intensive courses were given in elementary, qualitative, quantitative, physical, and organic chemistry and these courses prepared students to enter Chemical Warfare service or to become officers in other branches of the service where chemistry is a valuable asset.

Middlebury had the distinction of being one of the few colleges, other than technical schools, to have a chemical section of the S. A. T. C. The building, equipment and manner of conducting the courses were warmly commended by the regional director. At a time when there was a great shortage of chemists, Middlebury was fortunate in having the services of Professors Voter and Davis for men of their ability were hard to obtain.

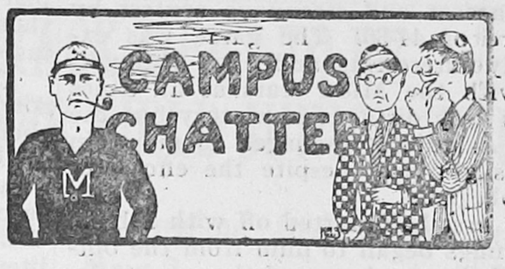
Over half of the entire student body was registered in the department, there being about two hundred students in all. The department was forced to continue work evenings and the usual high standard of work was maintained in spite of adverse conditions

The spirit in which the Middlebury women undertook the intensive work and enabled the department to give a uniform course is to be commended. By it they were able to make rapid progress in chemistry. It is only another instance of the way in which the American women supported the war here as all over the country.

A description of the department's material equipment would occupy too much space for this article since it is well ahead of that of most institutions of this size. Special apparatus for carrying on advanced and difficult work is provided in addition to the usual laboratory equipment. In past years much legal and technical analysis has been done showing that the department is fitted to serve the community in a special way. The library occupies a large room and contains nearly complete sets of the principle American journals. It also has the current files of the leading chemical journals that are printed in the English language on its reading table. This year the collection of books has been improved by the addition of the latest works, especially those dealing with technical methods

The department is able to take a man entering college without previous knowledge of chemistry and give him such instruction and laboratory work that upon graduation he can obtain a responsible position with industrial concerns at once and he is fitted to advance rapidly in such work because of his thorough preparation. If a student wishes to continue research work in a graduate school he can carry on such work without repetition. Those taking a two-year college course before entering a medical school will be able to meet the pre-medical requirement.

Students entering college as well as those already here will do well to consider the advantages offered by this department.



Janet Nash of Webster, Mass., has been visiting her sister, Dorothy Nash.

Carleta Ottman '21 entertained Alice Watt of Schenectady, N. Y., over Sunday.

Frances MacNamara '22 has left college and returned to her home in Fair Haven.

Ruth Ashworth '21 was called to her home in Worcester, Mass., last week, by the death of her uncle.

Margaret Dickinson '22 entertained her sister, Mrs. Robert S. Morgan of Amherst, Mass., over the week-end.

The members of English 19, enjoyed a pleasant social gathering at the home of Dr. Strout last Sunday afternoon.

The number of men on the War Service list has been reduced from 375 to 210. The decrease has been from five to ten men weekly.

Elizabeth Johnson '19 has left college for a time because of the ill health of her mother. She has gone to her home in Newburyport, Mass., but expects to return as soon as possible.

Watson '19 received from the War Department Friday his appointment in the Officers' Reserve Corps. He expects that his first call will take him to Porto Rico or some other equally desirable place.

Brokenshire '20 has returned to college to complete his work. He recently received his release from the navy, in which he has the rating of boatswain's mate, 2nd class. "Brokie" was on the U. S. S. America which sank at her dock some time ago.

Coasting and tobogganing were enjoyed Saturday evening by a number of the élite of the college on the sharp declivity in front of the Mead chapel. Judging from our personal experiences without sleds or toboggan on the same place there must have been considerable exhilaration in the sport.

The Glee Club under leadership of Watson '19 and Canty '19 has begun rehearsals of the music that will be used on the trips Manager Canty is arranging. Several fine numbers are being practiced with good results and the spirit thus far shown is good. The club is, however, in need of a few more voices and anyone who wishes a chance at it should see either Watson or Canty at once.

Thursday, February thirteenth, Mrs. Luther I. Bonney gave a variety shower to Alice Tomlinson, who was completely and pleasantly surprised. St. Valentine's eve was celebrated by clever heart decorations about the house, and the refreshments were also in pink and white. After the excitement of the shower, games were played and songs sung. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by the fifteen guests present.

The Home Economics Club of Middlebury College has been reorganized with Hazel Coburn '19 as the president, Alice Corttis '20, vice president and Helen Clark '20, secretary and treasurer. Barbara Russell was elected chairman of the executive committee Because the club has been more or less inactive this year it has been decided to begin work immediately. The first regular meeting will be held Wednesday, February 19th, in the Pi Beta Phi rooms. All girls who are interested in becoming members are invited to come.

The weekly meeting of the Y. W. C. A. held in Pearsons social hall Thursday evening, was led by Elsa Holstrom '20. Her subject, "Through Prayer to Power," pointed out clearly the part prayer has played in the lives of great men of the past and present time, using Abraham Lincoln, General Foch and others as examples. To present more plainly this influence of prayer, she read a chapter from "Student in Arms" entitled "An Englishman Prays." Hilda Woodruff '22 rendered a piano solo.

The Women's Athletic Association met in Pearsons social hall, Wednesday evening. Dorothy Nash '19, president, presided. Numerals were awarded by the old constitution to the senior volley ball team composed of Ruth Clark, captain, Madeline Halford, Barbara Russell, Eleanor Layton, Thelma Putnam, and Helen Stilphen. Anna Novak '19 was given her M C for three years successive playing on the basketball team. Dorothy Nash resigned the presidency of the association as she already held two major offices. Eleanor Layton '19 was elected to fill the vacancy.

Friday, February fourteenth, the class in Home Economics 4 gave a Valentine luncheon to the following guests: Miss Eleanor Ross, Miss Ruth Graham, Miss Marion Young and Miss Bertha Wood. Miss Mary Dutton is the instructor. Place-cards and color schemes were planned to suit the occasion and the usual good "eats", for which the department is famous were served. The following girls are included in the class: Gertrude Perkins, Mildred Hubbard, Eletta Pease, Mildred Martin and Barbara Russell. It was noted that the guests departed wearing the contented smile which is the Home Economics test for well-balanced rations.

The men eating in Hepburn Commons were agreeably surprised by a Valentine supper served Friday night. The dining hall with its cheerful log fire, big red hearts, and neatly decorated tables, looked particularly attractive in its holiday dress. Appropriately shaped and prettily decorated dishes and cakes tempted the eye as well as the taste. The men rose for "a long Middlebury yell with three Mother Mason's on the end",—a cheer well deserved, not only as an acknowledgement of the delicious Valentine supper, but also as an appreciation of the excellent services Mother Mason has rendered. Those who have eaten at other colleges can realize more fully, the excellence and superiority of the food and service at Hepburn.

WAUBANAUKEE, SAGE, DELTA TAU DANCE GREAT SUCCESS

People have wandered into the ballroom of the "Hotel de Gink" and have seen some weird costumes but if any of these same people should have strolled into the gymnasium last Friday night they might have thought they were in the famous hotel for tramps. The occasion was the annual dance of the three societies, Waubanaukee, Sage and Delt Tau, the object of the dance being to dress a little differently than usual.

About forty couples were present and from the start of the affair until the last dance not a dull moment was to be had. The Gymnasium was decorated with banners and pennants which along with the music of Calhoun's orchestra added to the enjoyment of the evening.

A short time before the dance the men decided to make the dance distinct from the usual informal affair and the occasional formal affairs by appearing in odd clothes. Men from all phases of life were represented from the ordinary tramp to the "duke" with his monocle and numerous medals. One of the features of the evening was a favor dance.

The dance was in charge of a committee consisting of Holbrook, Whitmore and Brown. Professor and Mrs. Bonney and Professor and Mrs. Hathaway acted as chaperones.

'18. Alice Chynoweth has a position as teacher of Mathematics in the Richford High School.

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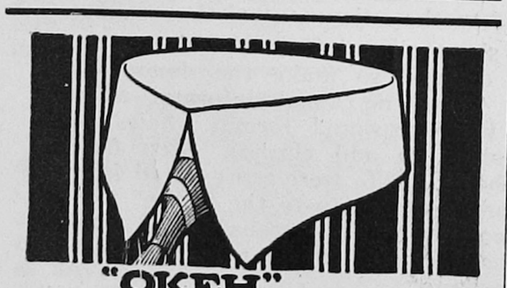

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MIDD QUINTET DROPS TWO GAMES

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fast Troy Conference Academy five of that place. It was the first game of the season for the Midd boys and they were forced to bow to the prep school team after a fast and strenuous contest by a score of 44-36. The game was extremely interesting and close throughout, with the Midd team at all times within easy distance of victory but the T. C. A. quintet managed to maintain their slight lead despite the efforts of the collegians.

The first half started off with a bang and things began to hum from the outset. C. Leonard started the scoring for T. C. A. with a long shot from the center of the floor and from then on both sides scored frequently, most of the prep school shots being made on tries from the center of the court while the Midd boys depended more on their passwork to bring them within easy, scoring distance of their opponents basket. Sam Davis was the big noise for the collegians in this half, disturbing the draperies six times with pretty shots from scrimmage while the prep school boys seemed to pin their hopes on "Chuck" Leonard their star forward to make good his long shots. The score at the end of the period showed T. C. A. in the van by a score of 22-20.

The second half proved just as exciting and fast as the first; the Midd boys fought hard to gain the lead but the Poultney passers always managed to keep in front. The shooting of Midd in this period was not quite up to usual form, many shots rolling around the basket and back onto the floor. As in the first half the T. C. A. quintet depended mainly on long tries and the ability of Leonard and Liberty to corral baskets from all sides of the floor was the primary factor in spelling defeat for the Midd seconds.

Davis and Ginsburg led in the scoring for Middlebury while Leonard and Liberty were the bright lights in the T. C. A. quintet.

Summary:

Midd 2nds		T C. A.
Holbrook, Cool	r.f.	C. Leonard
Ginsburg	l.f.	W. Leonard
Davis	c.	Liberty
S. Ross	r.g.	Salona
Cool, Reinbrecht	l.g.	Frazier

Field Goals: C. Leonard 10, Davis 9, Liberty 8, Ginsburg 5, Cool 2, W. Leonard, Holbrook. Foul Goals: C. Leonard 6, Ginsburg. Referee, Hughes of Poultney; Scorer, Richards; Timer, Young; Time, 20 minute halves.

ORGAN RECITAL GIVEN BY STUDENTS OF MUSIC

The first of a series of organ recitals to be given by the pupils of Professor Hathaway was held in the Mead Memorial Chapel, Friday afternoon at five o'clock. The various numbers on the program were admirably rendered, reflecting much credit upon Mr. Hathaway. A pleasant bit of variety was introduced in the form of a violin selection by Madeline Halford and a solo by Mrs. Bonney. The program was as follows:

I. (a) Postlude — Rinck
(b) A Song of Sorrow — Nevin
(c) Scherzo — Gillent
Madeline Gaylor

II. Ave Maria — Bach-Gounod
Madeline Halford

III. Elevation — Gillment
Hilda Woodruff

IV. (a) Risoluto — Horatio Parker
(b) Will-o-the Wisp — Nevin
(c) Berceuse — Rogers
Rena Dumas

V. O! Divine Redeemer — Gounod
Mrs. Bonney, with violin obligato by Miss Halford.

VI. Grand Choeur — Hollins
Marguerite Dyer

SOPHOMORES INCREASE LEAD IN INTER-CLASS LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Sophomores	4	1	.800
Juniors	3	2	.600
Seniors	2	3	.400
Freshmen	1	4	.200

One of the smallest crowds of the season saw the freshmen and sophomores triumph over the juniors and seniors in the fifth series of inter-class games played last Tuesday evening in McCullough gymnasium. By defeating the seniors, the sophomores strengthened their lead over the juniors who were forced back into second place by the freshmen, who defeated them by a 44-20 score in one of the fastest games of the series.

The playing of all four teams was somewhat of a surprise as compared to their past performances. In the senior-sophomore contest the only fast playing was seen in the last part of the second half when the sophomores found their stride for a few moments and literally ran away with their opponents The freshmen who first showed signs of promise in last week's game gave their best exhibition of basket-ball in their encounter with the former league-leaders, putting up a whirlwind game which knocked the juniors out of running from the very start.

Poor team-work and careless basket shooting accounted in a large measure for the slowness of the senior-sophomore game in which the under-class quintet finally succeded in downing their opponents by a 23-15 score. Time after time the senior forwards were able to work the ball up to the sophomore basket but almost invariably failed in their attempt to cage it.

Though late in the series in getting started, the freshman five gave indisputable evidence of considerable basket-ball prowess in their 44-20 victory over the juniors. In passing, basket-shooting and in general team-work the under-classmen showed themselves superior to their opponents at every stage of the game, the ease with which Timberman and Peterson scored baskets becoming almost uncanny at times. At no time during the contest did the juniors really threaten the freshmen's final victory.

Both teams slowed up considerably in the last half, Parker and Ginsburg scoring the juniors seven tallies, five being credited to the former while Peterson and Cool did most of the point getting for the freshmen. The period was marked, however, by a lot of clever individual work.

NEUTRAL MEN ELECT COMMITTEE OF FIVE MEN

A second meeting of the neutral men was held last Monday evening at Hepburn social hall for the purpose of electing a committee to represent the neutrals as a body whenever such action was found desirable or necessary. The original plan that the committee consist of 4 men, 1 from each class with the senior member as chairman, was amended to the effect that the committee be augmented by the election also of 1 man at large, thus making a committee of five, 1 from each class and 1 to be elected at large with the senior member presiding. The balloting resulted in the election of the following men to constitute the committee: Mead '19 (chairman), Cooley '20, Miske '21, Whitney '22, McMaster '20.

Tentative plans were also made fo the holding of an "open-house" in Hepburn Hall, in accordance with the custom inaugurated this year by the various fraternities.

'18. Faith Walker is connected with the Christian Science Monitor in Boston.

PRESIDENT THOMAS VISITS MIDDLEBURY

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ing was one about a young lad with both his legs shot off who was called "the cheerfulest man on the ship." He was always the center of life of a group of soldiers and stood all the welcomes but broke down when the boys started to sing "Hail, hail the gang's all here."

Chaplain Thomas left for Camp Merritt again Sunday night where he will resume his duties as chaplain until the return of the Leviathan to U. S. He expects at that time to make another trip across.

SIGMA KAPPA HOLDS ANNUAL INITIATION

The Sigma Kappas held their eighth annual initiation ceremony at the sorority rooms, February 15, at 5 o'clock. The nine initiates of Nu chapter were, Mildred Jenkins 1921, Ruth A Aldrich, Karen E. Carlson, Madeline I. Gaylor, Alice E. Ladd, Dorothy H. Mackay, Mildred F. Monroe, Doris M. Pinney, and Lila E. Winchester of the class of 1922.

The initiation banquet was held at the Addison House directly after the initiation ceremony. The guests present were Miss Gertrude Ilsley, Alpha of Colby College, Mrs. Roy Whittemore, Delta, of Boston University, Adelaide Ross '15, Harriet Blakeman '14, Julia Carter '13, Harriet Grandy ex-'15, Vera Arnold '15, Edith Boyce Wheeler '13, Florence Buxton ex-'17, Ruth Hall '17, Marion Dean '18, and Gladys Frost '17.

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